

configuration; and

a pivot connecting the rearward ends, wherein when the frame assembly is in the disassembled configuration, at least one of the left and right members are rotated about the pivot so as to allow the at least one of the left and right members to be positioned between a first and second angular position relative to the other, and wherein when the frame assembly is in the assembled configuration, the forward ends being connected to the second receptacles prevents the left and right members from rotating about the pivot.

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2. The frame assembly of claim 1 wherein the left and right members are L-shaped.
  3. The frame assembly of claim 2, wherein each of the left and right L-shaped members include a short leg extending from left to right and right to left, respectively, and a long leg, the long leg extending forwardly from the respective short leg, and each of the short legs have a first end proximate the long leg and a second end,  
wherein the pivot couples the left L-shaped member to the right L-shaped member through the second ends of the short legs.
  4. The frame assembly of claim 3, wherein the pivot is disposed approximately equidistant from the left and right long legs.
  5. The frame assembly of claim 4, wherein the pivot is a fastener received within a pair of cooperating holes formed in the short leg second ends.
  6. The frame assembly of claim 1, the frame assembly being adapted for use on a support surface, wherein the hub assemblies are rigid relative to the lower frame, wherein a portion of the left and right members is elevated from the support surface so as to be resiliently displaceable relative to the hub assemblies, the elevated portion defining a flexural member providing bouncing motion when the frame assembly is in the assembled configuration.
  7. The frame assembly of claim 1, wherein the first angular position is formed when the left

and right forward ends are spaced from each other and the second angular position is formed when the left and right forward ends are positioned approximately adjacent each other.

8. The frame assembly of claim 1 wherein the lower frame pivots between at least one unfolded position in which the lower frame is angularly displaced from the upper frame and a folded position in which the lower frame lies substantially co-planar with the upper frame.

a' 9. The frame assembly of claim 8 wherein the lower frame being angularly displaced from the upper frame corresponds to a rotational displacement about a first axis, wherein the left and right hub assembly are positionable between at least one first orientation and a second orientation, the at least one first orientation corresponding to the first receptacle being rotationally offset from the second receptacle, the rotational offset being measured relative to the first axis,

wherein when the lower frame is in the at least one unfolded position, the left and right hub assemblies are in the at least one first orientation and wherein when the lower frame is in the folded position the left and right hub assemblies are in the second orientation.

10. (Amended) The frame assembly of claims 6 wherein the left and right hub assemblies are disposed adjacent the support surface.

11. The frame assembly of claim 1 further comprising an intermediate frame coupled to the upper frame.

12. The frame assembly of claim 11 wherein the intermediate frame is pivotable between a first position adjacent the upper frame and a second position angularly spaced from the upper frame.

13. The frame assembly of claim 1 wherein each of the hubs include a first housing and a second housing;

the first housing including a first gear surface, a button, and the first receptacle;

the second housing including a second gear surface and the second receptacle;  
the first and second gear surfaces are circular in shape and include radially extending teeth; and  
a gear having teeth engageable with each of the first and second gear surfaces; and the button engages the gear.

14. The frame assembly of claim 13 wherein the button and the gear are displaceable relative to the first and second housings to disengage the gear from at least one of the first and second gear surfaces so that the first housing is rotatable relative to the second housing.

15. The frame assembly of claim 1 wherein the upper frame describes a seat support adapted to receive a seating surface; and

the left and right ends extend forwardly and outwardly from the seating area and the left and right members extend rearwardly and inwardly from the second receptacles.

16. A child seat comprises:

a first frame including a seat back portion, left and right ends and a bend formed between the seat back portion and each of the left and right ends;

a second frame having left and right portions pivotably coupled to the first frame by engagement with the bends; and

wherein the second frame is rotatable about the bends between a deployed position in which the second frame is angularly spaced from the first frame so as to provide a seat support, and a folded position in which the second frame is substantially co-planar with the first frame.

17. The child seat of claim 16 wherein the bends are serpentine bends.

18. The child seat of claim 16 wherein the first frame is a unitary first frame.

19. (Amended) The child seat of claim 16 wherein the second frame is formed by a single piece of wire form material and the first frame is formed by a single piece of wire form material.

20. (Amended) The child seat of claim 16 wherein the seat back portion defines a plane substantially corresponding to a seating surface, wherein each of the bends is serpentine and includes a first, second and third section, the second section extending forwardly from the seat back portion plane and being disposed between the first and third sections, and the first and third sections extending approximately parallel to the seat back portion plane,

a, wherein the second section and the first section supports the second frame as a cantilever in the deployed position and the second frame is rotated about the second section when the second frame is positioned in the folded position.

21. The child seat of claim 16, wherein the second frame is engaged with the bends by eyelets formed at the second frame left and right portions.

22. (Amended) The child seat of claim 21, wherein the bends and the eyelets are formed from wire form material.

23. (Amended) The child seat of claim 16 further including a ground engaging base coupled to the left and right ends.

24. The child seat of claim 23 wherein the base includes left and right base portions and wherein the base is pivotally coupled to the left and right ends by a left and right hub each having a first portion connected to a respective one of the left and right ends and a second portion connected to a respective one of the left and base right portions.

25. The child seat of claim 24 wherein the base is displaceable relative to the seat back portion to position the base substantially co-planar with the seat back portion when the second frame is in the folded position.

26. The child seat of claim 16 wherein the child seat is a bouncer seat.

Please add the following new claims 37-47:

27 37. (New) The frame assembly of claim 1, wherein when the frame assembly is in the assembled configuration, the frame assembly occupies an assembled maximum width extent defined by the distance between the hub assemblies; and

Q2 wherein when the frame assembly is in the disassembled configuration, the hub assemblies are disconnected from the upper frame so that the frame assembly occupies a disassembled maximum width extent defined by a distance between the upper frame left and right ends, the disassembled maximum width extent being less than the assembled maximum width extent.

38. (New) A child seat having an assembled and disassembled configuration, comprising:  
a seat portion including an upper frame having left and right sides spaced apart by a first distance;

left and right connector portions, each of which including a seat portion connector and a lower frame connector; and

a lower frame including left and right L-shaped members, each of the L-shaped members including a forwardly and outwardly extending forward frame portion defining a forward end, and a transverse rear frame portion defining a rearward end, wherein an obtuse angle is defined by the forward frame portion and the transverse rear frame portion, and a pivot connecting the left and right L-shaped members at their rearward ends and allowing the forward ends to be positioned at one of a second and third distance from each other, wherein the first distance is greater than the third distance and the second distance is greater than the first distance;

wherein when the child seat is in the assembled configuration, the left and right seat portion connectors are connected to the respective left and right sides, the left and right lower frame connectors are connected to the respective forward ends, the forward ends are positioned at the second distance from each other, and the child seat occupies a maximum first width dimension that is approximately equal to the second distance; and

wherein when the child seat is in the disassembled configuration, the left and right seat

portion connectors are disconnected from the respective left and right sides, the left and right lower frame connectors are disconnected from the respective forward ends, the forward ends are positioned at the third distance from each other, and the child seat occupies a maximum second width dimension that is approximately equal to the first distance.

Q2 39. (New) The frame assembly according to claim <sup>1,8</sup>38, wherein the lower frame further comprises a third maximum width extent when the frame assembly is in the disassembled configuration, the third maximum width extend being at most equal to the first distance and less than the second distance.

3 40. (New) The frame assembly according to claim <sup>2,9</sup>39, wherein the left and right members are L-shaped.

41. (New) The frame assembly according to claim <sup>3,6</sup>40, wherein the pivot is centrally disposed between the forward ends.

2 42. (New) The frame assembly according to claim <sup>3,1</sup>41, wherein the pivot comprises a pin passing through a hole formed in each of the left and right rearward ends.

43. (New) The frame assembly according to claim <sup>7,8</sup>38, wherein each of the left and right connector portions further includes a hub for rotating the seat portion connector relative to the lower frame connector so as to enable reduction in the maximum height dimension of the child seat when configured in the disassembled configuration.

44. (New) A method for assembly of a child's bouncer seat, comprising the steps of providing a bouncer seat assembly, the assembly including an upper frame defining a maximum disassembled width extent of the seat assembly, left and right sides including rotatable hubs, a ground engaging, stabilization frame including a pair of L-shaped legs, each of the L-shaped legs including a forward leg portion and a rear leg portion, the rear leg portions being coupled to each other by a pivot at a first end thereof, and each of the rear leg portions being

connected to the respective forward leg portion at a second end thereof;

connecting the left and right hubs to the upper frame;

deploying the ground engaging, stabilization frame including pivoting the rear leg portions about the pivot from a first stowed angle defined by the rear leg portions to a second angle defined by the rear leg portions, the second deployed angle being greater than the first stowed angle; and

connecting the forward leg portions to the left and right hubs so that the second ends are spaced apart by a distance greater than the maximum disassembled distance.

45. The method according to claim 44, further comprising rotating the hubs to pivot the upper frame relative to the ground engaging, stabilization frame from a collapsed position to a deployed position.

46. The method for assembly of a child's seat by a consumer of claim 45, further comprising the step of providing an actuator on at least one of the hubs to permit rotation of the upper seat frame relative to the ground engaging, stabilization frame, wherein the step of rotating the hubs further includes the step of actuating the actuator to permit rotational motion between the upper frame and lower frame.

47. The method according to claim 44, wherein the upper frame comprises a U-shaped upper frame.

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